

St. Rene Goupil

Catholic Community
Sterling Heights



Notes from Fr. Steve

Next week we begin to celebrate the season of Advent. This beautiful time in the Church's year invited us to slow down, to watch, and to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. While our homes and communities may be filled with the excitement of Christmas planning, the Church gently calls us to a season of expectation, longing, and hope.

The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *adventus*, meaning "coming" or "arrival." As early as the 4th century, Christians observed a period of preparation leading up to the celebration of the Lord's birth. In some places, this season was a time of fasting, similar to Lent, and was closely connected to preparing catechumens for Baptism.

By the Middle Ages, Advent became firmly established as the four-week period before Christmas, emphasizing not only the coming of Jesus in Bethlehem, but also His future coming in glory. Even today, Advent has a duel focus: we remember Christ's first coming in humility and we look forward to His return in majesty. The Advent wreath, candles, and Scripture readings all reflect this deep longing for the Lord, who is our light and our salvation.

The theme of the First Week of Advent traditionally centers on *Hope* and the call to *Watchfulness*. This week, consider choosing a simple daily prayer such as: Each night, once the household quiets, light the first candle of your Advent wreath (or a simple candle if a wreath is not available) and pray:

Lord Jesus, You are the light of the world. As we begin this Advent season, help us stay awake and aware of Your presence. Strengthen our hope in Your promises and prepare our hearts to welcome You with joy. Come, Lord Jesus, come. Amen.

You might follow this prayer with a short reading from Scripture, such as Isaiah 9:1-2 or Mark 13:33-37, reflecting on the promise of God's salvation and the call to be watchful.

Advent is not a race to Christmas—it is a sacred journey. As we enter these holy weeks, may we allow the Lord to stir within us a renewed desire for His coming. Let us watch, wait, and live in hope, for our Savior draws near.

I want to thank everyone who took time to give positive feedback to the archbishop's presentation on the restructuring of the archdiocese. As I said last week I am very optimistic and hopeful in this process. Please, remember to pray and ask Jesus to guide this process.

I am very happy to report that our Book Drive for Children's Hospital Children's Cancer Unit was an amazing success! We collected more books than last year. Our total this year was 1,355 books, this is 343 more books than last year! Thank you for your generosity!

Please remember to pray for the parish. In thanksgiving to God for its many blessings, and for the sick and the suffering. Your prayers bring them: healing, comfort and peace! May God bless you and those you love.

Fr. Steve





SOCK DRIVE

It's time again for our "Annual Sock Drive." We are collecting men's warm socks ("NEW socks only!) for the homeless. These socks will be distributed to the less fortunate to help keep their feet warm this winter. (Long white tube socks are especially needed). There will be a container in the gathering area for the collection. The sock drive will run through the end of November.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. God Bless! Archdiocesan Restructuring QR Code/Link Strengthening the Church for the Next Generation https://www.restructuring.and.org





The Giving Tree is set up in the gathering area this weekend. The tags represent the various groups in need of our help. All gifts MUST be returned by Sunday, December 7th.

Please only take a tag if you are able to purchase the gift and return it by **December 7th**. It is necessary as the charities will be picking up the gifts on **December 8th**, So they can deliver them to the needy by Christmas.

NOTE: If you can't get to mass to pickup a tag, but still wish to help with the tree and do not want to shop, please feel free to purchase gift certificates to Walmart and drop them off in the parish office or you can send/drop off cash/checks (made out to St. Rene) in the office marked "Giving Tree Gifts". I will gladly do the shopping for you.

Thank you so much for your generosity, especially during this most trying year. May God bless you all.

Theresa Wilson, OFS
Coordinator of Giving Tree Project



St. Rene Goupil would like to welcome the newest members of our Parish family!

Mr. & Mrs. Dale Erickson



JWJ CATHOLIC ACADEMY KID'S CORNER



NOVEMBER 23, 2025: FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

GOSPEL: LUKE 23: 35-43

WHEN JESUS WAS ON THE CROSS, SOME PEOPLE MADE FUN OF HIM AND TOLD HIM TO SAVE HIMSELF. TWO CRIMINALS WERE ON CROSSES NEXT TO HIM. ONE OF THEM WAS MEAN AND SAID HURTFUL THINGS TO JESUS. BUT THE OTHER CRIMINAL TOLD HIM TO STOP AND SAID JESUS HAD DONE NOTHING WRONG. HE ASKED JESUS TO REMEMBER HIM WHEN HE WENT TO HIS KINGDOM. JESUS KINDLY TOLD HIM, "TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE."

"Today you will be with me in PARADISE"

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KIND WORD SEARCH

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FAMILY ACTIVITY

Begin by reading Luke 23:35-43 together as a family. Talk briefly about how one of the men on the cross made fun of Jesus, but the other man knew Jesus was good and asked Him to remember him. Explain that Jesus showed kindness and forgiveness, even while He was in pain. For the activity, give each family member a paper heart or cut one out together. On the heart, have everyone write or draw something they want to say "sorry" to Jesus for, or something they want to thank Him for. Then place the hearts at the foot of a cross made from craft sticks, paper, or even drawn on a page, to show that we can trust Jesus with our hearts just like the man on the cross did.

FIND THESE WORDS FOR THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING IN THE WORD SEARCH PUZZLE ABOVE

RULERS, CHOSEN, SOLDIERS, INSCRIPTION, CRIMINALS, HANGING, FEAR, CHRIST, CROSS — REMEMBER, KINGDOM, PARADISE DEAR JESUS,
THANK YOU FOR FORGIVING
US AND LOVING US, JUST LIKE
YOU FORGAVE THE MAN ON
THE CROSS. HELP ME TO TRUST
YOU AND CHOOSE WHAT IS
RIGHT. AMEN.

Readings for the Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Reading I Samuel 5:1-3

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said: "Here we are, your bone and your flesh. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led the Israelites our and brought them back. And the LORD said to you, 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel." When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron, King David made an agreement with them there before the LORD, and they anointed him king of Israel.

Reading IIColossians 1:12-20

Brothers and sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

Gospel *Luke 23:35-43*

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Readings for the Week

Sunday, November 23, 2025:2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday, November 24, 2025: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 25, 2025: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 26, 2025: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 27, 2025:Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday, November 28, 2025: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, November 29, 2025: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Sunday, November 30, 2025:Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

St. Rene Goupil Catholic Church, Sterling Heights

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – BENEATH THE SURFACE

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini reflection: It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas, "the bad thief." I am as close to Jesus as he was, and I ask for all the wrong things.

The King Who Hangs Beside Us

We love to hate the bad thief.

Ancient Christian tradition has called him by the name "Gestas." In contrast to Dismas, "the good thief" who recognized and repented of his own sins, Gestas goes down bitter and swinging. With his last breaths he taunts Jesus, poking fun at the absurdity of a deity who allows himself to be crucified by mortals. "Are you not the Christ?" he sneers.

But his final words betray an undercurrent of desperation. Of terror. In the end, Gestas just wants Jesus to save him.

It's taken me a few hundred read-throughs of this Gospel passage to finally understand a painful truth: I am Gestas. I hang from my own cross — we all do, in this life. But I'm lucky enough that my cross is right beside Jesus, because the sacraments bring him as close to me as he was to Gestas — closer, even. How unfathomable is the mercy of God.

And yet, I am not grateful. I don't rejoice at my proximity to my Lord, to the flesh and blood that have bought my salvation. I don't do what I should do, and what Dismas does. I don't say, "Wherever you are King, please, let me be your subject. Wherever you are going, please, take me with you."

"Are you not the Christ?" I say instead. And what I mean is exactly what Gestas meant: "Get me down. Take this cross away. I don't want it. I can't take it."

What a tragedy it would be, if all Christ had to offer us was an easier life.

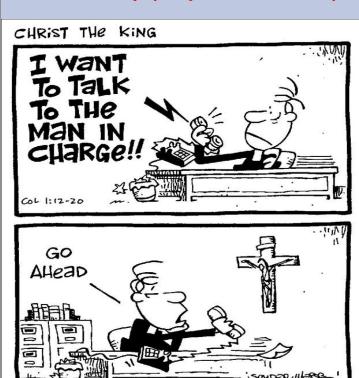
None of this looks like anyone thought it would. The long-foretold Messiah, whose majesty and might would eradicate violence and establish peace. The guy who was going to make everything okay again. The King of the Jews. And here he hangs: bleeding and dying and doing what looks like nothing. Staring at Gestas. Staring at me. Staring at you.

What will you say to him?



Would you love to put a smile on a little Child's face? You can make this happen by donating NEW, unwrapped toys during the weekend of Nov. 29th & 30th and Dec. 6th & 7th.

The toys will be distributed to needy children in the inner city. Please do not bring violence related items. A table will be set up by the parish office for the toys.



Devotions, *Explained!*Jesse Tree



Mini Explanation

The Jesse Tree is an Advent practice which recounts the history of salvation by tracing the lineage of Christ—the foretold "shoot from the stump of Jesse" who will bring peace and unity to the people of God (Isaiah 11:1).

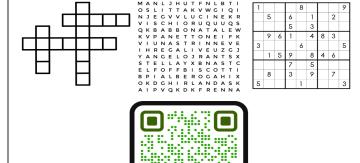
Jesse Tree, Explained!

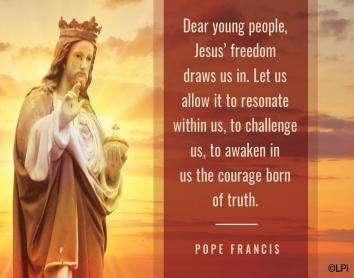
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In a way, creating a Jesse tree is the telling of one big story — the redemption of man — through the telling of many smaller stories — the fall of Adam, God's promise to Abraham, the wandering of the Israelites, the greatness of David and the humble submission of Mary. A Jesse tree is adorned with symbols of these various people and stories, with the earliest ones hung from the topmost branches, progressing downward.

There are different versions of the Jesse Tree featuring different Old Testament figures and stories, but all begin with Adam and end with the birth of Jesus. It is an easy tradition to practice at home — all you need is a tree, paper, markers, scissors, string and a Bible.

New! Check out the ONLINE PUZZLE PAGE





GOSPEL MEDITATION

November 23, 2025 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Luke 23:35-43

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42).

That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me."

That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love.

What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

— Father John Muir



Tuesday, November 25, 2025 9:30 a.m.

- +Frank Finazzo
- +Linda Hohmann

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Thursday, November 27, 2025 9:30 a.m.

- +Rose Marie Sobota
- +Priscilla Zielinski

Thanksgiving from Sison Family

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Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

- +Karin Nieto
- +Munir Odish
- +Wadie Manni

Almas Yousif

Friday, November 28, 2025 9:30 a.m.

+Karin Nieto

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

- +Victoria Sienicki
- +Anna Zajac

Saturday, November 29, 2025 4:00 p.m.

- +Steven Herbert
- +Edwin Wagner
- +Marian & Lottie Kobus
- +Hanora Bates
- +Richard Wolfenden
- +Mark Weatherwax
- +Franklin Langenstein
- +Bob & Karen Brooks

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

Sunday, November 30, 2025 8:30 a.m.

+Karin Nieto

Agocs, Santoro & Seaver Families

10:30 a.m.

- +Josephine Martineau
- +Rose Marie Sobota

Members of the Caudal Family

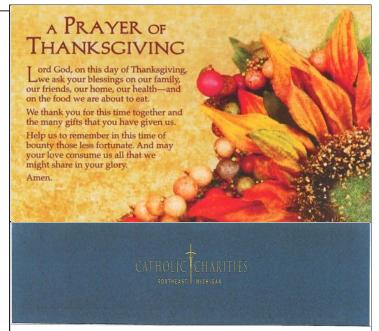
Members of the Feliciano Family

- +Walt Kalcevic
- +Rose Zappa
- +Sam Zappa
- +Edward Comartin
- +Joseph Hance

Poor Souls in Purgatory

5:30 p.m.

Jenny Austria Bessen (Birthday)



Please consider contributing to the annual parish collection taking place the weekend of November 22 and 23 in support of the important work of Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan. You can positively impact the lives of thousands of people served by Catholic Charities throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit and right here in our own backyard. Each year you assist Catholic Charities in helping more than 20,000 people combat poverty and crisis to move toward a better life.

If you are able, please give to help Catholic Charities continue critical services including providing perishable groceries and basic needs to homebound seniors, assistance to pregnant moms, behavioral health and substance abuse counseling, food pantries, adoption and foster care, and other family support services.

Here in Macomb County, the Adult Day Services provided by Catholic Charities ensures a safe and nurturing environment for older adults who need daytime support, thereby offering relief for their caregivers. Our Senior Outreach Program serves low-income and disabled seniors who are homebound, facilitating their ability to age in place with dignity by delivering essential groceries and personal items directly to their residences. Opportunities for volunteerism and enrichment for seniors are available through the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) as well as the Senior Companion Program. Additionally, the Walking with Moms in Need initiative collaborates with the Archdiocese of Detroit to empower Catholic parishes and their members in spreading awareness about available resources for pregnant and parenting mothers facing challenges.

Special collection envelopes are available at our parish or you can donate online at ccsem.org/impact.

May God bless your generosity!

Providing help. Giving hope.

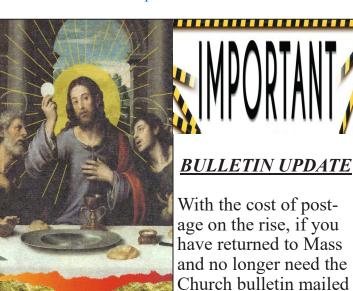
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Because we no longer have the Michigan Catholic, the archdiocese has an on-line web news resource. It is called the "**Detroit Catholic**" please go to Detroit Catholic online and subscribe free of charge! The archbishop prints his thoughts, and records homilies so that they can be shared with all of the people in the archdiocese! Go to https://www.detroitcatholic.com



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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

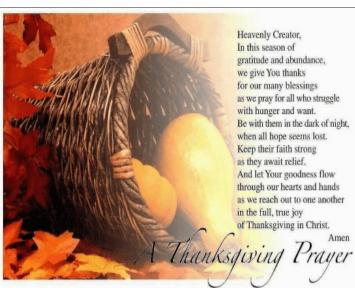
How Would You Rule Your Kingdom?

It would be kind of awesome to be a king or queen! Absolute rule, untold wealth, and people answering your every beck and call are things that wouldn't be half bad. Of course, I would be a benevolent monarch, and I would hope that all my subjects would love me. They could cheer me as I came out of the palace, and I think my popularity ratings in the polls would be through the roof. But if they weren't, that would be fine, too, because I would rule the kingdom. And that means no throwing me out of office. Talk about job security!

As great as that sounds, the King of kings could have had all that as well, but instead, he chose quite a different path. He gave up absolute rule so all his subjects could have the free will to choose to follow him. He gave up untold wealth so he could be treated like a common criminal and receive a death sentence. He gave up having servants at his disposal so he could be the servant of all his subjects himself. Yes, he was the King of kings, but he was nothing like a typical king. As much as I think it would be great to be a king myself, I would rather emulate this King instead.

Who would you rather be like? You could have it all or choose to give away everything. You could choose a path of luxury or a path of trial. You could be respected by many or find yourself in a culture that increasingly finds you objectionable. Who would you rather be like? Do you arrive at an answer quickly, or do you need some time to think about it? The King of kings awaits your reply.

— Tracy Earl Welliver



Weekend Liturgy Schedule for November 29 & 30							
	Saturday 4:00PM	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM			
Presider	Fr. Steve	Fr.	Fr. Steve	Fr. Tim			
Lector	Ricky Yulo	Ana Divina	Thess Monteiro	Louis Youkhana			
Altar Servers	Open	R. Beltran	Paul Havern	Open			
Eucharistic Ministers	G. Labinski K. Moravek	Open Open	T. Monteiro E. Monteiro	Open Open			
Ushers	Tom Pluta Dave Hintz Todd Messineo Karen Messineo Jim Moravek Omar Oszust Gary Novelli Don Sundstrom	Tom Dutkiewicz Luis Nieto Mike Kazyak Ed Stivers Sharon Olszewski Frank Iannotti Rom Beltran Vicki Beltran	Terry Shaughnessy Tom Fooy Ralph Fackler Wilmar Suan Joe Meli Chris Norris Elmor Monteiro	Paul Hornung Mike Galuszka Ofelia Fermil Fred Rossi			
Sacristan	K. Moravek	R. Beltran	T. Monteiro	Open			
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Week	Tuesday, November 25, 2025	Thursday, November 27, 2025 THANKSGIVING DAY	Friday, November 28, 2025
Celebrant	Fr. Steve	Fr. Steve	Fr. Steve
Lector	B. Wyrwicz	L. Youkhana	D. Monterosso
Sacristan	R. Beltran	J. Carlisle	J. Carlisle
Eucharistic Minister	L. Youkhana	M. Peterson	L. Youkhana

Altar Care Team: Friday, November 28th Team 2

Roxann Klee Suong Le Antonina Notarantonio

Church Vacuuming: Friday, November 28th Jim Moravek

> Altar Linen: November Aiby Sales



If you are looking for a volunteer opportunity at St. Rene look no further. We are looking for volunteers for becoming a Lector, Sacristan, (Lectors & Sacristans for the 5:30 p.m. Mass) Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers (both Youth and Adults for the Saturday at 4:00 p.m., Sunday at 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Mass). We are also looking for Lectors, Sacristans for our weekday Masses. Volunteers to join the watering committee (watering the outdoor plants). Volunteers to help vacuum the Church on Friday's after Mass. If you're

interested in any of the volunteer areas that are listed, please contact the parish office and we will gladly pass your information on to the person in charge of the assignments and have them contact you.

Thank you in advance for volunteering!

STAY CONNECTED

I encourage you to sign up for this resource and make use of the Bible studies, faith formation opportunities, and Catholic movies available. Signing up only takes a few easy steps:

- 1. Visit www.formed.org and click "Sign up."
- 2. Click "I belong to a Parish or Organization."
- 3. Type "Faith at Home Detroit" in the center box under Create New Account. (You'll see it populate from the drop-down menu.) Click "Next."
- 4. Enter your first and last name as well as your email.
- 5. Now you're registered! You can also download the app on you Smartphone. If you need further assistance, contact *Formed* at www.help.formed.org or toll-free at 844-367-6331.



PLEASE REMEMBER ST. RENE GOUPIL PARISH IN YOUR WILL

You now can donate to St. Rene Goupil using your cell phone! Just take a picture of the QR code in the gathering space or in the bulletin;

it will automatically link you to the St. Rene donation site. Enter the amount you wish to donate, card information and press the "Pay" button. It's that simple! We thank you for your generosity.



CAN CODE TO DONAT TO ST. RENE GOUPIL



Our Sunday Offering November 15 & 16 Thank you for your generous response. God Bless you!

WHERE TO FIND THE BULLETIN

If you wish to read the bulletin it can be found online at Parishesonline.com then search by zip code.

You can go online to the aod.org/ live masses to find Weekday and Weekend Masses that can be watched.



If you have borrowed a Pyx from the Church office and are no longer in need of using it; could you please return it to the office.

Thank You!

Our St. Rene St. Vincent de Paul conference is a small group, always looking for new members. The meetings are open to interested visitors on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7PM at the parish. Please join us. We believe in the intrinsic value of every person – to serve and be served. Please



join us in fostering the common bond of humanity to bring wholeness and healing for all. Contact George Downey at (586)904-5171 for information on how to attend the meeting or for more information.

Our conference helps with utility bills, clothing, household items, food and in certain cases evictions. If you know if anyone who needs help, please have them call (586)718-4523. They do not need to be parish members. All information is kept strictly confidential. PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: laundry soap, hand soap, dish soap, toothpaste and toilet paper.

Thanksgiving Breakfast Special



1 lb. Bob Evans original recipe sausage

8 eggs

10 slices bread, cubed

1 tbsp. dried mustard

2 tsp. basil

1 tsp. salt

3 c. milk

2 c. shredded cheese

2 c. sliced mushrooms

1 (10 oz.) pkg. frozen asparagus

2 tbsp. margarine

Brown Sausage and drain pan. In a large bowl, beat eggs and stir in milk, dried mustard, basil and salt. Melt the margarine and stir in the shredded cheese and mushrooms.

Grease a 13x9 inch pan and cover the bottom with the cubed bread. Mix the egg mixture and margarine mixture together and pour over the bread. Add the cooked asparagus. Cover the pan and refrigerate for 8 hours. Preheat oven to 350 F and cook for 60 to 70 minutes.



The names for the prayer list for the sick is now done by personal intercession. Please drop the names of those need-

ing prayers for healing in the petition box in the gathering area. We are asking that you take 2 names from the basket and pray for those people by name every day for four weeks. If an emergency comes up please call the parish office and we will get members of the community to pray and offer intercessions for them at daily mass.

THE 12 PILGRIMAGE SITES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT:

- · Basilica of Ste. Anne, Detroit
- Blessed Solanus Casey Center, Detroit
- Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Detroit
- · Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield
- · National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak
- · Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, Riverview
- · Our Lady of Hope Cemetery, Brownstown Township
- Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Chapel (Madonna University)
- Shrine of Jesus the Divine Mercy, Clinton Township
- · Shrine of St. John Paul II, Orchard Lake
- · St. Joseph Shrine, Detroit
- Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pontiac



Please Pray for the Family Members of our Parishioners serving in the Military:

MSgt. Jason Bialy, Air Force Josey Blades (Air Force) Captain Curtis Bradley (Army) Airman 1st Julie M. Chervon Spc. Shaen Connery (Army) P.O. 1st Dale A. Foglyano Nicholas Foglyano (Army) P.O. 2nd Nicolas Fooy (Navy) Lt Col David Fries Maj. Laura Geldhof Joe Gill, Navy Staff Sgt. Nicole R. Grenon Christopher Grubby (Navy) Pfc. Kevin Heath Lt. Christopher Kerr Pfc. Paul Koss (Marines) Lt. Joseph Kraft Sgt. Joseph Kucharek (Army Sgt. Chris Libecki

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Prayer for Those Serving in the Military

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for their selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.

Amen.





Adoration Chapel

In the documents of the Second Vatican Council, the Church Fathers describe the Eucharist as: "The source and summit of the Christian life. The term "Eucharist" originates in the Greek word Eucharistia, meaning thanksgiving.

"Take; this is my body" Mark 14:22

- 1. The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true and substantial.
- 2. "It is called the Eucharist because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC. No. 1328)
- 3. "Jesus awaits us in the sacrament of love." (St. John Paul II, Dominicae cene, no. 3)
- 4. Eucharist makes the one present sacrifice of Christ the Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)

If you would like to take the opportunity to be still and listen to God (without worldly interruptions), we have a need for almost every hour to have a second adorer, thereby making less the need for a substitute. It is a sacrifice being Catholic in our world today, you need contemplation and the grace to make you holy. Please call Mary Peterson to sign up at (586)979-1469 or (586)738-1154.

Uncommitted Hours

Monday @ 12 Noon, Wednesday @ 1:00 p.m.,

Thursday @ 8:00 a.m. and Friday @ 9:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m.

TAKE TIME FOR PRAYER!

SAINT RENE GOUPIL Catholic Church

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Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed 12 Noon—1:00 p.m. Lunch
Friday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Steven Koehler, Pastor Rev. Joy Chakian, Associate Rev. Mr. John Ball, Deacon Emeritus Rev. Mr. Kevin Tietz, Deacon Michael Novak, Director of Evangelization & Education Alexander Sunga Director of Music

ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Legion of Mary Mary Peterson (586) 979-1469 Divine Mercy

Ushers

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Clinton Twp. (586) 416-2300
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(586) 718-4523
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(586)556-2122

Weekend Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.

Weekday Mass Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m.

Confessions 3:00 p.m. every Saturday

WELCOME

If you have attended Mass at St. Rene and would like to become a member, please visit our parish office where you can register and discuss all of the wonderful ways to grow in faith through Christian Service, Worship, Youth Ministry, Outreach, Faith Formation, and in our Adoration Chapel. For more information call 586-939-7500.

St. Rene Mission Statement

St. Rene Goupil Parish is a Catholic Community, dedicated to strengthening the faith and love of its people. Our mission is to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, to celebrate His Presence, and to reach out to others in His name.

Parish Registration:

Welcome to all new families/individuals. Please register as soon as possible. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Marriage.

Registration is also required before the parish can issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be a sacramental sponsor. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

Baptism:

Baptisms are celebrated the third Sunday of the month at 12:00 p.m. A parent preparation class is mandatory. Classes are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Call the Parish Office during weekday office hours to register for a class.

Penance: Saturday 3:00 p.m. Special schedules for Advent and Lent.

Marriage:

Arrangements must be made through the Parish Office at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. One person of the couple must be an active, registered member of St. Rene Goupil Parish for six months.

Anointing of the Sick:

On request or by appointment through the Parish Office.

